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JAMES R. HARTE Inventor:

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Title:

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Box Fee Amendment **Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Sir or Madam:

Responsive to the Official Action mailed December 6, 2001, setting a response period expiring on March 6, 2002, applicant respectfully requests a three-month extension of time until June 6, 2002, and encloses the requisite fee herewith. Applicant responds to the Official Action as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

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